

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROSECUTION
ART UNIT 1647**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: CLONING AND REGULATION OF AN ENDOTHELIAL CELL
PROTEIN C/ACTIVATED PROTEIN C RECEPTOR

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 26, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims

17. (amended) The method of claim 16 wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of antibodies and fragments of antibodies to the receptor, nucleic acid sequences encoding proteins or peptides inhibiting expression of the receptor, and synthetic or natural compounds other than proteins, peptides or nucleic acid sequences which inhibit binding.